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House Resolution 1940

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Urging the local boards of education to encourage students to recite the Pledge of Allegiance
- 2 daily; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Georgia law provides that each student in the public schools of this state must
- 4 be afforded the opportunity to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States
- 5 of America during each school day; and
- 6 WHEREAS, reciting the Pledge of Allegiance can serve to instill patriotism and respect for
- 7 the nation in which we live and appreciation of the rights which we are granted; and
- 8 WHEREAS, such recitations can also help build community by establishing and
- 9 strengthening bonds between fellow citizens united with a common heritage; and
- WHEREAS, as a testament to the many rights which are enjoyed in this country, no person
- 11 may be required to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of
- 12 America if he or she wishes to refrain from participation; and
- 13 WHEREAS, while the right of a student to refrain from participation will always be
- 14 respected, each student should nevertheless be encouraged to engage in the recitation of the
- 15 Pledge of Allegiance in the spirit of patriotism and honor; and
- 16 WHEREAS, it is altogether fitting and proper for students in the public schools of this state
- 17 to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America during each
- 18 school day.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 20 the members of this body urge the local boards of education to encourage students to recite
- 21 the Pledge of Allegiance daily.